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 Application No.: 10/531,223  
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Confirmation No. 7824  
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 Examiner: Naghmeh Mehrpour

Date: November 13, 2006

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 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified patent application.

- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.  
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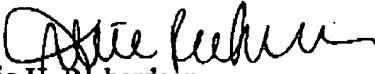
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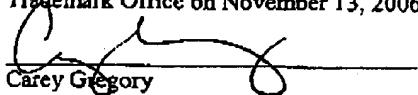
  
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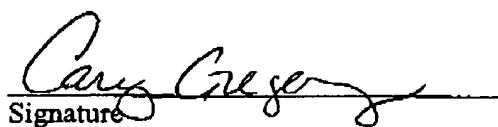
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 10, 2006**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 10, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as shown.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

**Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.**

**Remarks begin on page 6.**